

**East Islip School District  
Craig B. Gariepy Avenue  
Islip Terrace, New York 11752  
August 31, 2010 - APPROVED  
BUSINESS MEETING**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Glenn Reed, Vice President  
  
Kim G. Phillips, Trustee  
Louis F. Raffone, Trustee  
  
Joseph G. Sargent, Trustee

**Staff Members in Attendance:**

Wendell Chu, Superintendent  
Alise Becker-Santa, Assistant Superintendent for  
Instruction/Personnel  
Carl Fraser, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Susan Kosser, Assistant to the Superintendent for  
Student Services  
Robert M. Tartaglia, Plant & Facilities Administrator  
  
Marie Rogers, District Clerk

Approximate Attendance: 17 Meeting held in the Early Childhood Center Boardroom  
(Meeting chaired by Mr. Reed, Board President)

Mr. Reed announced that he was chairing the meeting this evening, as Mr. Cronin was feeling ill and had to leave before the start of the public meeting.

MTG. CALLED TO ORDER: I.) Meeting called to order by Mr. Cronin at 6:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: II.) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to adjourn public session in order to convene to executive session; seconded by Mr. Sargent and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC SESSION: III.) Motion by Mr. Sargent to adjourn executive session in order to reconvene in open public session; seconded by Mrs. Phillips and unanimously approved.  
Public session called to order at 7:18 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG IV): Mr. Reed led those in attendance to a salute to the flag.

PUBLIC ADVISED: V.) The Chairman advised the public that the Board would accept questions from the public and employees of the district, concerning agenda items, under New Business. Members of the audience wishing to avail themselves of the opportunity to ask a question are required to sign in at the door prior to the start of the meeting. The District Clerk will then call upon each member, allowing each three minutes, to address the Board. Questions by the public will be addressed immediately and addressed at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting. Members of the Board will also be available after the meeting to speak to anyone wishing to do so. Questions may be sent by email to the Board at its email address: [eiboard@eischools.org](mailto:eiboard@eischools.org), which can be accessed through the district's website.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD: VI.) (Wendell Chu)

Mr. Chu announced that the administrative staff is back in full operation as of August 27. Teachers are back beginning Thursday, September 1 and students September 7. He stated that district staff is dealing with a number of breaking issues, not only with State Education, but the federal government as well. This includes new cut scores, which requires a number of new students to receive academic services.

The Federal Jobs Bill has been approved.

New York State is one of the winners of the Race To The Top grant and will receive \$696 million of which half of the amount will be awarded to New York City and 3.2% to Long Island.

At this time, we do not know how much East Islip will receive or what the rules are for that money.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: VII.) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the Board of Education Business Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2010; pp13-17; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved.

Mr. Reed asked if anyone had any questions regarding the agenda items before putting them before the Board.

ACTION ITEMS: VIII.) Action Items Recommended by the Supt. of Schools (Wendell Chu)

SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS: a) Motion by Mr. Raffone to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the Special Education contracts with Sachem Central School District at Holbrook for services that were provided to one of our special education students who attended their special education summer school classes during the summer of 2010 and the contract with Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. d/b/a Maxim Staffing Solutions for services that will be provided to our special education students during the 2010/2011 school year; Seconded by Mrs. Phillips and unanimously approved. Mr. Sargent asked if this was a contract for a specific student and is there a price given, to which Mrs. Phillips and Mr. Fraser responded there was a letter sent and included in the packet.

DONATIONS: b) Motion by Mr. Sargent to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District accept the donation of 27 work stations, 27 chairs and one conference table from John Caputo of Capital One Bank to the high school for the new career academy program, International Business Globalization Program; and the donation of \$2,000 from The E.J. Autism Foundation for the purchase of equipment for the new career development program; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved. Mr. Reed thanked Mr. Caputo and Ms. Peterson for these donations and a round of applause followed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY PRESENTERS: c) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the services of the following presenters for Superintendent's Conference days September 1 and 2, 2010: Mr. Tim Piccirillo for a cost of \$2,500; Laura Ferrugiari, Esq. of Frazer & Feldman for a cost of \$832.50; and, Ms. Lorianne Hoeninger of Accessible Learning for a cost of \$300; Seconded by Mrs. Phillips and unanimously approved. Mr. Raffone asked if this was the total cost and Mr. Sargent questioned the difference in costs, to which Mrs. Becker-Santa responded it was the total cost for these speakers and that keynote speakers are typically more costly and the cost is based on the content and popularity of the speakers. Mr. Reed asked for clarification on Solo 6 software, which is assistive writing software put in schools this year for use by both students and parents.

PROFESSIONAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES: d) Motion by Mr. Raffone to table this agenda item for further information regarding the services; Seconded by Mrs. Phillips and unanimously approved.

PERSONNEL: e) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve Items 1 through 9 in the Certified Personnel Report; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved. Mr. Chu recognized Mrs. Smith, the new principal of Connetquot Elementary School, who received a round of applause.

Motion by Mr. Raffone to approve Items 1-15 in the Non-certified Personnel Report as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools; Seconded by Mrs. Phillips and unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: IX. There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS: X. There was no new business discussed.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING: XI. Mr. Reed announced that the next business meeting would take place on Thursday, September 16, 2010, at 8:00 p.m., in the district office boardroom.

MOTION TO ADJOURN PUBLIC SESSION: XII. Motion by Mr. Sargent to adjourn the public meeting; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Carol Feudi